

To whom it may concern:

I would like to express my extremely adamant opposition to the FCC regulation of HDTV broadcasts. I strongly feel that throttling down and regulating a new industry that is still in its infancy will drastically stifle innovation, and many useful applications of this technology that have yet to be discovered. The insertion of "flags" into digital signaling will not only ignores the greater public, it will also keep consumers from being able to enjoy new applications of media and broadcast services. Things like personal broadcast recorders (which allow a consumer to record programming and play it back - skipping the commercials along the way) would be endangered, and this is only one example of the many, many wonders that this technology can bring to us if left to evolve on it's own without regulation and federal oversight. Please allow HDTV technology to mature on it's own, without regulation.

Yours truly,

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